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*We prepare **great** lawyers*



SEATTLEU
SCHOOL OF LAW



HOW DO WE DO IT?

Seattle University School of Law has:

The country's top **Legal Writing Program**, which has been ranked No. 1 for nine years.

A clinical program ranked in the **top 15**, where students work on real cases with real clients.

More than **600 externship sites** throughout the country and the world.

A location in one of the **most beautiful, livable cities** in the nation, home to leading employers such as Amazon, Boeing, Microsoft, and Starbucks.

A commitment to **social justice**, which helps all students appreciate the law as a powerful tool for change, no matter their career path.

The **most diverse student body** in the Northwest: 32% of the incoming class of 2016 are students of color.

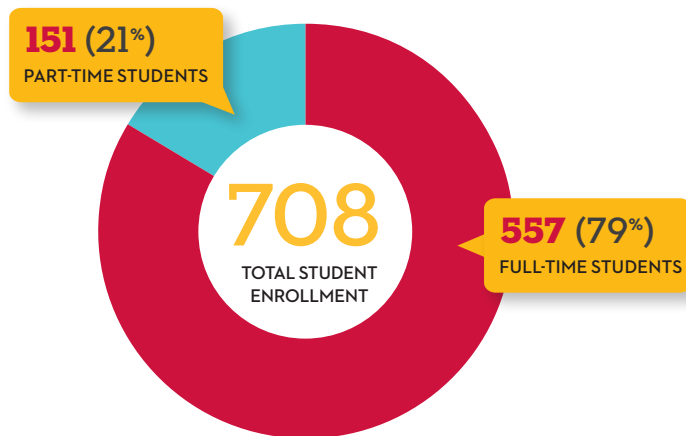
A flexible schedule for students balancing work and family life with law school.

An innovative **third-year program in Alaska**, serving the only state without its own law school.

Advanced degree options in technology and innovation, business, and tribal law.

BY THE NUMBERS

STUDENT PROFILE



FACULTY

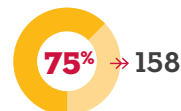
57 full-time
11.6 to 1 ratio



2016-17 TUITION

\$43,500
(\$1,450 per credit)

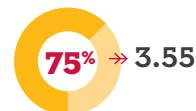
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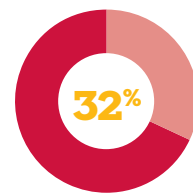
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GPA

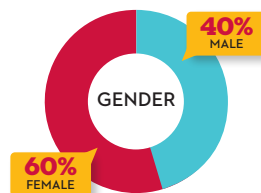


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STUDENTS OF COLOR

11% **LGBT**



GENDER

2016 FIRST-YEAR ENROLLMENT



26
AVERAGE
STUDENT AGE



90
COLLEGES AND
UNIVERSITIES REPRESENTED



200
STUDENTS ENROLLED
IN FALL 2016 CLASS



25+
STATES
REPRESENTED

ALUMNI IN WASHINGTON STATE

Many of our alumni hold leadership positions at these influential companies:

- Microsoft
- The Boeing Company
- Amazon
- T-Mobile
- Starbucks
- Expedia

200+
COUNTY
PROSECUTORS

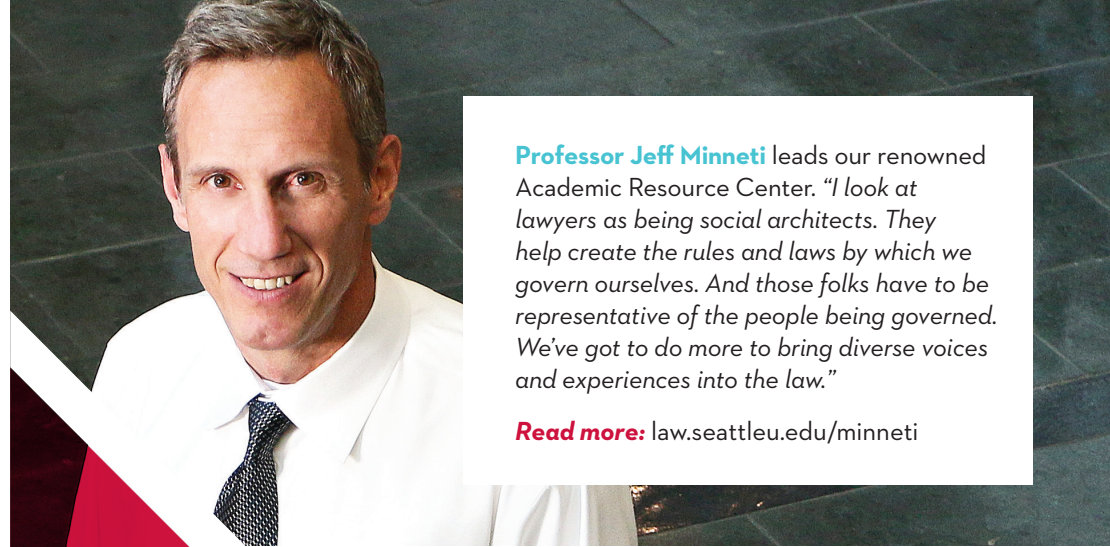
220+
MEMBERS OF
THE JUDICIARY

15+
LAW FIRM
MANAGING PARTNERS

150+
ATTORNEYS
IN AG'S OFFICE

→→→ ALUMNI NEAR AND FAR

While most of our graduates choose to stay in the Pacific Northwest, alumni are practicing and working in every state and many foreign countries. We are dedicated to helping you tailor your law school experiences to lead you down your desired career path.



Professor Jeff Minneti leads our renowned Academic Resource Center. *"I look at lawyers as being social architects. They help create the rules and laws by which we govern ourselves. And those folks have to be representative of the people being governed. We've got to do more to bring diverse voices and experiences into the law."*

Read more: law.seattleu.edu/minneti

Seattle University School of Law is home to an outstanding faculty of dedicated scholars who don't just teach. They mentor. They inspire. They challenge. They're committed to

EDUCATING

the next generation of advocates.

We prepare you to be a great lawyer, not just with lively classroom instruction but also with opportunities to help real clients and work on real cases, starting right away in your first year. We immerse our students in the knowledge, skills, and experiences needed to solve real-world problems.



Attend law school part-time

We offer **Washington's only part-time law program**, which is carefully designed to meet the needs of parents and working adults. Part-time students in this four-year curriculum begin their studies in the summer, taking Criminal Law. They then attend classes **just three nights a week** during the first two years, allowing them to balance other obligations both on and off campus.

Specialize in sports, business, or another field

Pair your law degree with a master's degree in business, public administration, sports administration, criminal justice, or transformational leadership through our joint degree programs with Seattle University.

Read more: law.seattleu.edu/enrollmentoptions



Part-time student **Adam Star** works full-time at Amazon while attending law school. *"The writing program has been exceptional, as advertised. The amount of one-on-one attention you get to improve is wonderful. It has been like learning a new language, and seeing my improvement over the first year has been the most rewarding aspect of my experience."*

Read more: law.seattleu.edu/studentstories

Write. Research. Represent. Ready for practice.

Our comprehensive skills curriculum - including the country's top Legal Writing Program, real-world clinics, externships, and courses - will help you become a

POWERFUL

agent of change.

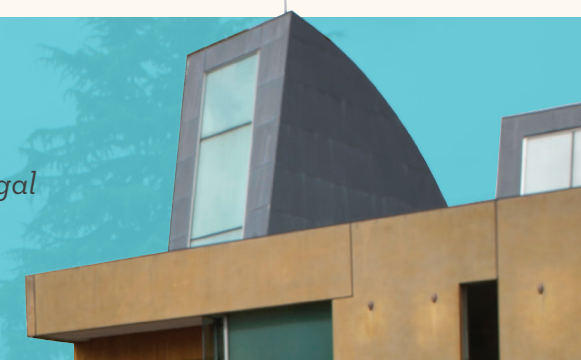
Lawyers write for a living, and our No. 1 **Legal Writing Program** allows you to hit the ground running. Our graduates are ready to work and have the skills employers want to see.

Read more: law.seattleu.edu/legalwriting



Judge G. Helen Whitener (pictured left, middle), a 1998 graduate, is a vocal advocate for LGBT rights here at home and in her birth country of Trinidad & Tobago. *"I always believed in myself but that supportive environment (at law school) really bolstered my confidence. When something new comes up, I don't question my abilities, I just do it. I just figure out how to do it."*

At Seattle University School of Law, you will learn to **debate**, to **advocate**, to **investigate**. Our Jesuit tradition infuses your legal education with a sense of purpose and a commitment to action.





Joshua Ashby, class of 2013, is an industry leader in the complicated and rapidly evolving field of marijuana law. He and other alumni are working hard to help build a legitimate, safe, and ethical legal marijuana industry. *“We’re an SU firm. The sense of camaraderie we enjoyed so much at school extends into the professional community.”*



Our alumni and students understand the responsibility that comes with their legal education and want to be

ADVOCATES

for a just and humane world.



Tarra Simmons fights for the rights of people who have been incarcerated. As a former prison inmate herself, the cause is personal. *“I have accomplished more than I could ever have dreamt of. I hope to give to others what was freely given to me.”*

Read more: law.seattleu.edu/studentstories



Students in our **Homeless Rights Advocacy Project** made waves in Washington and beyond with their detailed analysis of nuisance laws that discriminate against the visibly poor. Project director **Professor Sara Rankin** is proud to train the next generation of poverty warriors.

Read more: law.seattleu.edu/hrap



In 1982, just three years out of law school, **Professor Lorraine Bannai** helped challenge one of the most infamous cases in the history of the U.S. Supreme Court ... and won. Her client, Fred Korematsu, was cleared of his 1942 conviction for refusing to report to a Japanese internment camp. Today, Professor Bannai and her students work to protect civil rights at our **Fred T. Korematsu Center for Law and Equality**.

Read more: law.seattleu.edu/korematsu

Join us, and become a powerful advocate

FOR JUSTICE

Our commitment to social justice drives everything we do – our curriculum, our student organizations, our centers, and our legal clinics.


We admit **10 percent** of our class through our acclaimed **Access Admission Program**, which recognizes students from under-represented communities who have overcome substantial obstacles. Our robust **Academic Resource Center** offers support and tools for success for these students throughout law school.

Read more: law.seattleu.edu/arc


Our students give their time to the community.

Through our active **Access to Justice Institute**, 250 students took the Pro Bono Pledge, contributing more than 12,500 hours of community service in 2015-16.

Read more: law.seattleu.edu/atji



250+
STUDENT PARTICIPATION



12,500+
HOURS OF COMMUNITY SERVICE

law.seattleu.edu/admission



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